The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency presents



"Building Resilience by Reducing Infrastructure Vulnerability"

Thursday, May 26, 2016

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration opens at 7:00 am

Four Points Sheraton hotel
Tiffany Ballroom
1125 Boston-Providence Turnpike
Norwood, MA

The 2016 Massachusetts Hurricane Preparedness Conference entitled "Building Resilience by Reducing Infrastructure Vulnerability" will bring together more than 350 attendees from all disciplines and levels of emergency preparedness and response. This year's conference will focus on identifying vulnerabilities of critical infrastructure related to hurricanes and enhancing resilience, and will feature speakers who are considered experts in their field, including: James Franklin, Branch Chief, National Hurricane Center; Michael Byrne, Deputy Regional Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Stephen Flynn, Co-Director of the George J. Kostas Research Institute for Homeland Security, and many more. This is a great opportunity for participants to share ideas and best practices, gain knowledge and insight to existing vulnerabilities and ways to reduce them, and network with other emergency management professionals. The intended audience for the conference is state and local emergency management and public safety officials involved with hurricane preparedness, response and recovery efforts.

Interested participants must register using MEMA's online <u>Training Registration System</u> (https://mematraining.chs.state.ma.us/TRS) no later than 5/17/16.

To ensure diverse participation, all registrants will be placed on a waitlist and will be notified of acceptance no later than the conference registration deadline. Once approved, participants will receive a confirmation email via the MEMA Training Registration System. For registration assistance, accommodations (including dietary), or conference related questions, please contact MEMA's Training and Exercise Unit at trainingexercise@state.ma.us or 508-820-1408.